



09-29-03

3724
\$

4437/008

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Gringer et al.
SERIAL NO. : 09/874,665
FILING DATE : June 5, 2001
GROUP ART UNIT : 3724
EXAMINER : Druan, Thomas J.
TITLE : Utility Knife with Quick Release Housing

RECEIVED
OCT 10 2003
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Commissioner for Patents
P.O Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

The Applicant hereby transmits the following:

- (1) Amendment and Response to Office Action;
- (2) Fee transmittal form in duplicate with a check in the amount of \$139.00 which is half the cost of two additional independent claims and a one month extension for Applicant's small entity status; and
- (3) itemized return post card.

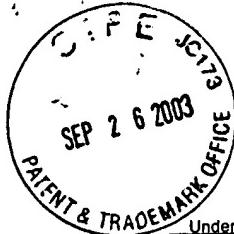
Kindly take all steps necessary to change the contact information for the above-entitled application in accordance with the attached documents.

I hereby certify that the foregoing documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service, Express Mail, Post Office to Addressee in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on the date below. (Express Mail label: EV 225385758 US)

GOTTLIEB, RACKMAN & REISMAN, P.C.
Attorneys for Applicant
270 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10016
(212) 684-3900


Raymond B. Churchill, Jr. Reg. No. 44,617

Dated: September 26, 2003



RECEIVED
OCT 10 2003

PTO/SB/11-00
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0032

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	(\$ 139.00)
-------------------------	-------------

Complete if Known

Application Number	09/874,665
Filing Date	June 5, 2001
First Named Inventor	Gringer et al.
Examiner Name	Druan, Thomas J.
Group Art Unit	3724
Attorney Docket No.	4437/008

Hd
by/tem

A. Harper
10-10-03

METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number	07-1730
Deposit Account Name	

Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. Payment Enclosed:
 Check Credit card Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	55.00
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	130	123	130	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) _____					
*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid				SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 55.00)	

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description		
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 84.00)				

*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 55.00)

SUBMITTED BY		Complete (if applicable)		
Name (Print/Type)	Raymond B. Churchill, Jr.	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	44,617	Telephone
Signature				Date

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.